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SUBJECT: IRAQI DIPLOMATIC NOTES REGARDING OVERFLIGHT

1. MFA HAS SENT US TWO DIPLOMATIC NOTES REGARDING PROPER PROCEDURES FOR CLEARANCE OF OVERFLIGHTS AND LANDINGS. WE HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT MAY HAVE PROMPTED EITHER NOTE AND REQUEST ADDRESSEES TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION WHICH MAY GIVE BACKGROUND SO WE MAY PREPARE APPROPRIATE REPLY.

2. FIRST NOTE, DATED OCTOBER 24, 1976, CALLS
ATTENTION TO ITS NOTE NO. 1/1/63/145 OF NOVEMBER
13, 1975 AND ADVISES "OF THE NEED TO FURNISH THE
INFORMATION CALLED FOR IN REFERENCED NOTE WHEN REQUESTING
PERMISSION FOR MILITARY OR CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT TO
OVERFLY IRAQ OR LAND AT IRAQI AIRPORTS. EXCEPT IN
CASES OF EMERGENCY, WHEN THIS INFORMATION MUST BE
SUBMITTED TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE, SUCH INFORMATION
MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME IN ORDER TO
ALLOW REVIEW OF THE REQUEST, TAKING THE NECESSARY ACTION
TO OBTAIN APPROVAL, AND ADVISING THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES AT
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THE MINISTRY. THIS IS NECESSARY TO AVOID

DANGERS THAT MAY RESULT FROM NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ON AIR TRAFFIC."

3. SECOND NOTE, DATED OCTOBER 27, 1976, ADVISES THAT "ON OCTOBER 15, 1976 AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT, MODEL GULF (G 164 A) ENTERED IRAQI AIRSPACE FROM THE NORTH HEADED SOUTH WITHOUT OBTAINING THE APPROPRIATE PERMISSION FOR SUCH AN OVERFLIGHT. THE MINISTRY WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE EMBASSY WOULD INFORM THE APPROPRIATE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES THAT THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF THE REGULATIONS AND RULES OF AIR TRAFFIC AS WELL AS VIOLATION OF IRAQI AIRSPACE WHICH MAY EXPOSE THE AIRCRAFT AND ITS PASSENGERS TO DANGER.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY IN ITS NOTE NO. 1/1/63/145 OF NOVEMBER 13, 1975 ON THE PROCEDURE IN WHICH PERMISSION TO OVERFLY OR LAND IN IRAQ IS OBTAINED BE REVIEWED".

4. FYI: THE NOVEMBER 1975 NOTE TO WHICH BOTH OF THE ABOVE NOTES REFER STATES THAT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE RPOVIDED:

- A. OVERFLIGHTS
- 1. NATIONALITY OF AIRCRAFT
- 2. MAKE
- 3. CALLING CODE
- 4. FLIGHT ALTITUDE
- 5. POINTS OF ENTERING IRAQI AIRSPACE (AIR ROUTE)
- 6. TIME AND DATE OF ENTERING IRAQI AIRSPACE
- 7. AIR ROUTE TO BE FOLLOWED IN IRAQI AIRSPACE
- 8. TIME OF LEAVING IRAQI AIRSPACE
- B. LANDINGS
- 1. NATIONALITY OF AIRCRAFT
- 2. MAKE
- 3. CALLING CODE
- 4. FLIGHT ALTITUDE
- 5. POINT OF ENTERING IRAQI AIRSPACE (AIR ROUTE)
- 6. TIME AND DATE OF ENTERING IRAQI AIRSPACE
- 7. INTENDED AIRPORT FOR LANDING
- 8. TIME OF ARRIVAL AT LANDING AIRPORT

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- 9. TIME AND DATE OF LEAVING AIRPORT
- 10. NAME OF PILOT
- 11. NUMBER OF CREW
- 12. PURPOSE OF VOYAGE.

END FYI.

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